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### **REMARKS**

Claims 1-26, 31-33 and 38-45 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. The pending claims are claims 27-30 and 34-37, which the Examiner has indicated are allowed (page 6 of the Office Action mailed October 6, 2004).

## The §112 Rejections of the Claims

Claims 32 and 39-45 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The cancellation of claims 32 and 39-45 render this rejection moot. Withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, written description rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

Claim 38 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The cancellation of claim 38 renders this rejection moot. Withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

### Objection to the Claims

Claims 41 and 42 were objected in the recitation "anti-depressant" and antidepressant," respectfully because the terms are inconsistent. Cancellation of claims 41-42 renders this objection moot. Withdrawal of the objection is therefore respectfully requested.

### AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116 – EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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# CONCLUSION

Applicants earnestly request notification of allowance of the pending claims. The Examiner is invited to telephone Applicants' attorney (612) 371-2106 to facilitate prosecution of this application.

If necessary, please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

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